

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are Claims 21-40.

DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION

Claims 21-40 are rejected under the judicially created (non-statutory) doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-21 of U.S. Patent No. 6,614,289. A terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR §1.321 is being submitted concurrent with the instant response, thereby obviating the double patenting rejection.

CONCLUSION

Claims remaining in the present patent application are Claims 21-40.


The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

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